

Boston, Mass., U. S. A., July 2 1884.

Dr. Asa Gray
Cambridge.

Dear Sir.

We return to you this day the copper plates of Musci &c loaned us for reproductions in same condition as when they were sent you by Messrs Armstrong & Co. We saw them this morning & they say that though the plates are necessarily curved, it is only from printing from them & if they were bent back again, the same would occur when next used & it would simply make them worse by constant work

on them. They are properly
waxed &c & as they claim
we think in far better
condition than when sent
to us.

We trust this explanation
will be entirely satisfac-
tory.

Yours very truly

A. L. Cassin Esq